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Response to Office Action

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 21, 2004 in which Claims 1-30 were rejected.

With this response, a Terminal Disclaimer against parent application U.S. Patent No. 6,397,114 is submitted herewith.

Additionally, Applicant notes that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 10, 2003 was not acknowledged by the Examiner. With this response, a copy of that Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith along with a copy of the stamped returned postcard indicating receipt by the U.S. Patent Office. Consideration and entry of the Information Disclosure Statement and references are respectfully requested.

It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Consideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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